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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:)

William Hill et al.)

Serial No. 09/479,979)

Filed: January 10, 2000)

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
DYNAMICALLY ADAPTING THE)
LAYOUT OF A DOCUMENT TO AN)
OUTPUT DEVICE)

Group Art Unit: 2176

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RESPONSE

The Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following comments and request
reconsideration of the Office Action dated December 7, 2001.

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed December 7, 2001 has been received and its contents
carefully considered. Claims 35 – 53 are currently pending in the application, claims 1 -
34 having been previously canceled.

Claims 35, 42 - 43 and 48 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being
unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,943,680 Shimizu et al. (hereinafter "Shimizu").
Claims 36 – 41, 44 – 47 and 49 – 53 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being
unpatentable over Shimizu as applied to claims 35, 42 and 48 and further in view of

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